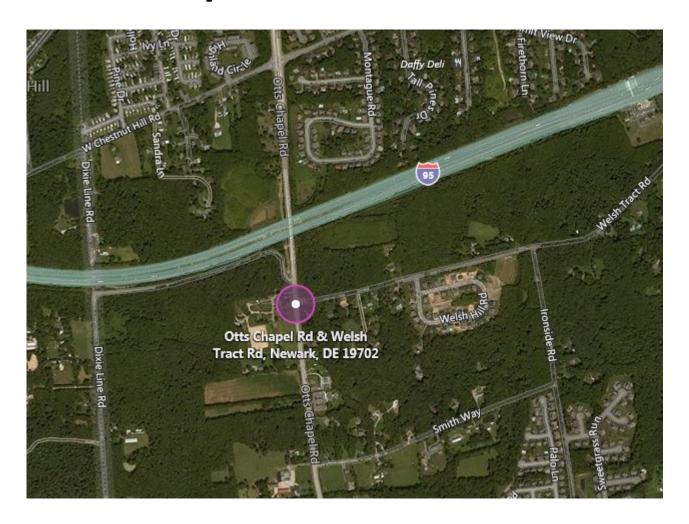
UPDATE Troopers Investigating Fatal Crash On Otts Chapel Rd.- Newark



Newark - The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is investigating a fatal motor vehicle crash that took place on Otts Chapel, over top of I-95 in Newark.

The investigation has determined that at approximately 7:39 a.m. on Tuesday, October 24, 2017 a 2008 Toyota Camry driven by a 93 year old Newark man, was traveling Otts Chapel Rd. northbound just prior to the I-95 overpass. The Toyota drifted off the right side of the roadway, with the right side of the vehicle striking a guardrail. After impacting the guardrail the Toyota veered left into the southbound lanes of Otts Chapel Rd. directly into the path of a 1999 Honda Civic driven

by a 23 year old, Port Deposit Maryland man, at which time the vehicles collided head on.

As a result of the collision a 51 year old Port Deposit man, who was the front seat passenger in the Honda, was transported to Christiana Hospital where he died from his injuries. His name is being withheld pending notification of next of kin.

The operator of the Honda was transported to Christiana Hospital and treated for non-life threatening injuries. A 28 year old Port Deposit man, who was a rear seat passenger in the Honda was transported to Christiana Hospital where he was being treated for serious injuries.

The operator of the Toyota was transported to Christiana Hospital where he was also being treated for serious injuries.

Otts Chapel Rd. between W. Chestnut Hill Rd. and Welsh Tract Rd. was closed for approximately three hours as a result of the crash.

Drug or alcohol use is not being considered a factor on behalf of either operator.

The investigation is ongoing and no charges have been filed at this time. Further details will be released as they become available.

If anyone has information regarding this incident they are asked to contact Cpl. J. Forester of the Collision Reconstruction Unit at 302-365-8485.

Click on the following link to view the original release. https://dsp.delaware.gov/2017/10/24/traffic-advisory-troopers-investigating-serious-crash-in-newark-otts-chapel-rd-closed

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